REMARKS

§ 102 Claim rejections:

Paragraph 5 of the Action rejects claims 27 and 30 as being anticipated by Roberts (U.S. Patent No. 6,295,551). Paragraph 7 of the Action objects to claims 28 and 29 as being dependent on rejected base claim 27, but indicates that the claims would be allowable if rewritten to remove the dependency on claim 27.

Accordingly, Applicants have cancelled claim 27, thereby rendering the rejection as to this claim moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the rejection as to this claim be withdrawn. In addition, Applicants have amended claim 28 to be in independent form, therefore Applicants believe that claims 28 and 29 are now in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the rejection as to these claims be withdrawn.

Applicants have further amended claim 30 to depend on claim 28. Because claim 28 is itself allowable over the art of record, Applicants believe this places claim 30 in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the rejection as to this claim be withdrawn.

New Claims:

Paragraph 6 of the Action states that Roberts anticipates claim 27 because it discloses a collaborative computer system comprising the limitations of claim 27 including a control server configured to receive an image from a presenter client and to compose and address and associate the address with the received image. Because Applicants do not believe that Roberts discloses a control server configured as required by claim 27, Applicants have added claims 31-34, which are duplicative of claims 27-30 as originally filed in the previous office action.

The system claimed in claim 27 as originally filed, i.e., new claim 31, requires a control server configured to receive an image and then compose an address and associate the composed

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address with the received image. This functionality is described, for example, in relation to step 410 of figure 4 in the specification of the present application.

In the system disclosed in Roberts, on the other hand, the presenter computer does not send a new image to the control server. Rather, the presenter computer sends an address, i.e., a URL, associated with the new image (see col. 11, line 63 to col. 12, line 3). The control server does not, therefore, compose an address and associate it with the new image as required by new claim 31. Rather, the control server simply forwards the received URL to the client computers (see col. 12, lines 3-6).

Because Roberts does not teach every limitation of new, independent claim 31, Applicants believe that new, independent claim 31 is in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested. Because new claims 32-34 depend from new, independent claim 31, which is itself allowable over the art of record, Applicants believe that these claims are also in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested.
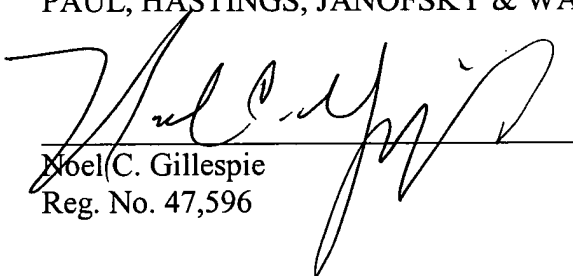
CONCLUSION

Based on the above amendments and remarks, Applicants believe that the claims are in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested.

After the above Amendments, claims 1-7, 9-13, 15, 16, 25, 26 and 28-34 are still pending in the application. Claim 27 has been canceled. Thus, there are 23 total claims and 5 independent claims pending in the application. Because a fee for 24 total claims and 6 independent claims was originally paid, no fee is believed to be due for any of the added claims; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required by this response to our Deposit Account No. 50-2613 (Order No. 027060-0011.UTL).

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